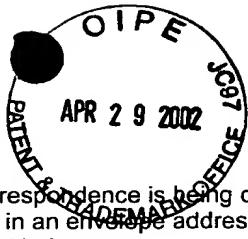


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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98 copies of the following patents and/or publications are submitted herewith:

United States Patent No. 5,660,108 (Pensavecchia), dated August 26, 1997;

United States Patent No. 5,927,194 (Jeschke), dated July 27, 1999;

German Published, Non-Prosecuted Patent Application DE 43 03 797 A1 (Wirz), dated August 11, 1994, rotary printing press for the two-sided printing of sheets;

German Published, Non-Prosecuted Patent Application DE 195 03 619 A1 (Wirz), dated August 8, 1996, coupled satellite printing units;

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German Published, Non-Prosecuted Patent Application DE 197 42 461 A1 (Hartmann et al.), dated April 8, 1999, device and method for driving a printing machine with multiple uncoupled motors;

German Published, Non-Prosecuted Patent Application DE 197 43 770 A1 (Schmid et al.), dated April 8, 1999, method for operating a rotary printing machine and device for using the method.

If no translation of pertinent portions of any foreign language patents or publications mentioned above is included with the aforementioned copies of those applications, patents and/or publications, it is because no existing translation is readily available to the applicant.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97 (c) (2), consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement is requested.

Enclosed is the fee in the amount of \$180.00.

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